

11th August 1965]

Sugarcane Road Development Cess Fund

* 219 Q.—SRI K. NARAYANASWAMI PILLAI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state—

(a) whether there is any proposal to complete the laying of the Tyagadurgam-Sankarapuram and Kallakurichi-Peria Pagandai roads out of the Sugarcane Road Development Cess Fund so as to facilitate easy transportation to the Kallakurichi Co-operative Sugar Mills; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE HON. SRI P. KAKKAN : (a) No; and

(b) Does not arise.

Plant Protection Squads

* 220 Q.—SRI K. NARAYANASWAMI PILLAI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased state—

(a) the number of plant protection squads in the State; and
 (b) the number of acres protected during 1963–64?

THE HON. SRI P. KAKKAN : (a) The following are the staff functioning exclusively for the plant protection work in this State—

(i) General—

Crop and Plant Protection Officers—6

Technical Assistants—6

Plant Protection Assistants—48

Demonstration Maistries—48

(ii) *Package programme in Thanjavur district*—

Plant Protection Specialist—1

Plant Protection Assistant—1

(iii) *Oilseeds Development Scheme*—

There are three other Plant Protection Squads, each with one Plant Protection Assistant and Four Fieldmen.

(b) 24.87 lakhs acres.

Coconut Plantations

* 221 Q.—SRI S. MADHAVAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state—

(a) whether there is any proposal to extend the special scheme for the grant of loans for raising coconut plantations to Thirupathur taluk in Ramanathapuram district; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE HON. SRI P. KAKKAN : (a) No; and

(b) Does not arise.